

# GENERATING POSITIVE CHANGE FOR YOUTH

“ YouthBanks have the potential to establish building blocks of civic engagement and democracy, to channel young people’s enthusiasm into positive activity, to provide valuable learning experiences, boost confidence and widen horizons. ”

Vernon Ringland, **YouthBank International**



**€1,071.148**  
GRANTS DISTRIBUTED  
**1,050**  
PROJECTS  
**€90,120**  
RAISED BY GRANT-MAKERS



**2,534**  
GRANT-MAKERS  
**121,700**  
BENEFICIARIES



**24**  
COUNTRIES  
**184**  
YOUTHBANK SITES



**HONDURAS**  
**EGYPT**  
**KYRGYZSTAN**  
**UKRAINE**  
**USA**

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**TOP THEMES FUNDED**

- a) Securing core and running costs/ dependency on international donors
- b) Communicating what YouthBank is to variety of audiences
- c) Engaging those who are disinterested, suspicious of YouthBank practices
- d) Accessing fresh materials and best practices
- e) Young people actualising ideas into a project

**CHALLENGES**

- a) There is significant demand to support new YouthBanks
- b) YouthBanks say that they most need help with fund development
- c) More variety is needed for on-line materials and use of social media platforms to connect members

**EMERGING PRIORITIES**

- a) Influencing Community Foundations and Municipalities to develop YouthBank practice
- b) Building the capability of YouthBank Coordinators
- c) Organising information and celebration events
- d) Introducing technology to improve YouthBank processes
- e) Using interactive learning methods

**SUGGESTED IMPROVEMENTS**



**There are THREE main groups of people involved in a local YouthBank:**

Surrounding this is the community within which the group operates.  
YouthBank is much more than a grant-making mechanism; it is a model for change and development.

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